

## News Briefs

### South Bay pioneers

The City of South Bay will hold a meeting on June 21 at 7 p.m. in the South Bay City Commission Chambers for South Bay area pioneers.

Longtime area residents are asked to attend the meeting, bring old photographs, and relay information about the early days in South Bay.

The information gained will be incorporated into the South Bay Historic Survey currently being developed.

### Reminder from ASCS Office

The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service would like to remind farmers that June 15 is the last day to report crop acreages. It is suggested you call for an appointment at 996-7900.

### Vacation Bible School

The Pahokee First United Methodist Church will be conducting its Vacation Bible School from June 21-25 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. for children ages three to 12.

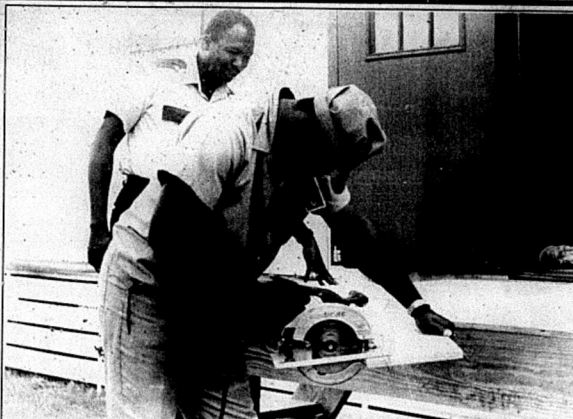
Registration will be at 6:30 p.m. on June 21. For more information call the church at 924-7241.

### Parent's meeting

There will be a meeting of South Bay parents on Friday, June 11 at Tanner Park for those parents who wish for their children to participate in the Summer Recreation Program. That program starts Monday, June 7. For more information call Clarence Dixon at 996-1155.

### Bible School

First Baptist Church of Belle Glade is sponsoring their annual Vacation Bible School for two exciting weeks, June 14-18 and June 21-25 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. V.B.S. is for infants through sixth grade and many fun activities are planned for the children. Family night is June 27 at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served.



The cutting edge...G.C.I. Inmate Terrance Strapp cuts a piece of plywood while Officer David Taylor watches. Inmates from Glades Correctional Institution helped renovate an old trailer that will be used by the American Red Cross for keeping supplies.

SUNPHOTO BY BRENDA BUNTING

## Smoke on the Water:

### Glades Hydrocross Challenge is this weekend

Personal watercraft racing will heat up the waters at the Belle Glade Marina on Sunday, June 13 as the best amateur and professional racers in the state of Florida compete in the Hydrocross Tour.

The Hydrocross Tour is a four race series which travels throughout Florida, perking up the economy and atmosphere at each of the tour stops, according to Barbara McMillan, local sponsor of the event.

Mrs. McMillan and her husband, Larry, owners of Glades Honda and Sea-Doo in South Bay, hopes the friendly country atmosphere, the clear fresh water of Lake Okechobee and the good home cooking and barbecue will help turn the Glades into a regular location of the Hydrocross Tour and a favorite stop to Barbara McMillan, local sponsor of the event.

"We saw the benefits of what these events have brought to other communities such as St. Pete, Orlando, Winter Haven, Stuart and the Keys, so we chose to sponsor the Tour and bring the fast-paced fiberglass bashing action to Belle Glade," said Mrs. McMillan.

Events start at 4 p.m. and will wind down about 5 p.m.

"These guys took from the community, so now they're giving back," he added.

## Red Cross gets disaster storage shelter

By BRENDA BUNTING  
SUN Editor

A disaster storage shelter has been set up in the Glades by the American Red Cross, thanks to donations from local businesses and Glades Correctional Institution.

Anne Hopkins, Director of the local branch, says the shelter is a much needed addition to services in the area.

"We will now have a place to store furniture, household items, clothing and canned goods for those in need," she said.

The 12' by 60' shell was donated a few months ago and put out near the city's shooting range. It needed a lot of work, and that's where inmates from Glades Correctional Institution came in.

They donated over 100 man hours rebuilding the floors, painting and cleaning the mobile home.

"This is what we do...go around the community helping," said David Taylor Corrections Officer Supervisor and Public Works Supervisor.

"These guys took from the community, so now they're giving back," he added.

Three inmates, all considered non-violent, minimum custody, worked five days a week until the project was finished.

Most only have six months to a year to serve on their sentences.

"They learn a lot of skills doing these types of jobs," said

Mr. Taylor, "and this will take them farther when they get out of prison. Their work saves the taxpayers a lot of work and the City of Belle Glade and the county saves a lot of money."

Mr. Taylor said they get a lot of requests to help out in the community, but others don't realize they are available to help.

Last year, inmates helped paint the Western Palm Beach County Mental Health building, inside and out.

They also painted 19 apartments for the Pahokee Housing Authority and painted the inside of the Belle Glade Police Department.

"After Hurricane Andrew, our men worked almost a month helping out," he said. "We get lots of letters of appreciation," he added.

Ramon Palamo, Disaster Action Team Captain for the Red Cross, helped supervise the work on the storage shelter and worked right beside the inmates on the renovations. He is in charge of the disaster services in the Glades.

Others who contributed to the restoration included Seminole Supply, the Rotary and Lions Clubs, Dexter's Paint Store, Gene's Mobile Home Supplies and McDonalds.

Citizens who would like to donate clothing, furniture, household items, or canned goods to help disaster victims can call Ms. Hopkins at 992-9703.

## Glades Central and Pahokee High graduated over 300 last weekend

By DAVID RANIERI  
SUN Reporter

It was time of joy and excitement for the graduating seniors at Glades Central Community High School and Pahokee Middle/Senior High School this past weekend.

Glades Central graduated Friday evening at 7 p.m. before an overflow crowd in the school's gymnasium.

Salutatorian Colentah Wilson welcomed the Class of 1993. Jaime Brown, President of the Student Council presented Senior Reflections. Brown reminded her fellow seniors of

their many achievements including winning the Women's State Titles in Track and Basketball and that they should continue to strive to achieve their goals. Valedictorian Stacey Webb gave the farewell address.

Diplomas were presented by Dr. Sandra Richmond, member of the Palm Beach County School Board and Laurie Carter, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent.

The Classes of 1973 and 1983 were special guests for the commencement exercises.

Pahokee Middle/Senior High

School graduated on Saturday afternoon at 3 p.m.

Salutatorian Markeus Hickman and Valedictorian Yashica Williams addressed the graduating class. Williams challenged her fellow graduates to achieve their dreams.

"Strength will enable you to achieve great things," Williams said.

The Class of 1973 were special guests for the graduation ceremonies.

Students from the School of Choice were also included with the graduating class from both high schools.

## One man dies in accident west of South Bay

One man died in a three vehicle crash west of South Bay after the truck he was driving flipped over the median strip on U.S. 27 and hit two cars in the westbound lane.

The accident happened three miles west of South Bay about 5 p.m., June 3. Killed was David Smyth, 21, of Northern Ireland.

According to Trooper John Schultz with the Florida Highway Patrol, Mr. Smyth was driving a red Toyota pickup truck in the eastbound lane when he swerved across the median strip and struck a green Mercury driven by John

Runkles, Jr., 30, of Clewiston and a van driven by Roger Campbell, 51 of Moore Haven.

Mr. Smyth was killed when he was thrown from his truck and landed on the pavement about 50 feet away from the impact.

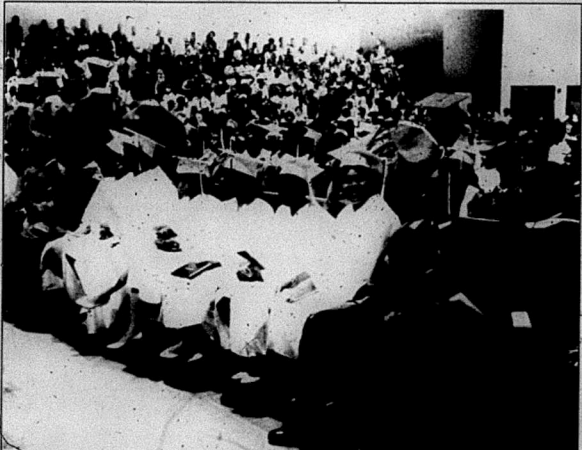
Mr. Runkles was taken by Trauma Hawk to St. Mary's Hospital in West Palm Beach. He suffered head injuries and a fractured nose. He is listed in good condition and should be released this week.

Mr. Campbell was taken to Glades General Hospital and treated and released after he fainted on the side of the road.



It's a celebration...the graduating class of Glades Central Community High School hold hands as they sing with the school chorus directed by Mr. Zarak Lawton.

Sunphoto by David Ranieri



Listening to words of wisdom....Pahokee seniors listen to Valedictorian Yashica Williams' speech. Pahokee Middle/Senior High School graduated this past Saturday in the Joseph W. McIlwain Gym before an overflow crowd.

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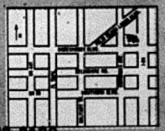
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# Law officers honored in ceremony Reception planned for Belle Glade couple

The Mount Zion A.M.E. Church of Belle Glade held their fourth annual Law Enforcement Appreciation Day on Sunday, May 30 during the 11 a.m. Worship Service. Mrs. Maude Vereen presided.

The I.S. Jones Choir set the tone for the service by singing several songs before the service began. Honor guards Det. Sgt. Albert Dowdell and K-9 Officer Robert Wheelihan of the Belle Glade Police Department, Patrolman Leslie Fuce of the Pahokee department, Patrolman Michael Bianchi of the South Bay P.D. and Agent Derrick Savage of the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department, entered and stood at attention while Belle Glade Mayor Bill Bailey led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The hymn for the service was *How Great the Wisdom* led by the choir. Dr. Effie C. Green, Principal of Glades Central High School, gave the prayer. The Responsory, Reading from Romans 13 of the Living Bible was led by Don Anderson, Chaplain of Glades Correctional Institution.

Evangelist G. Darville gave

the Decalogue and Evangelist Patricia Moore read the scripture sentences for the offering. Sister Cynthia Vickers spoke and gave the welcome address.

The offering was taken up by Lt. Albert Harper, Sgt. Wiley Battle and Agent Jeffery Godfrey, all of the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department.

Patrolman John Cook, President of the Belle Glade F.O.P. gave thanks and expressed his thoughts on the occasion. He then presented Maude Vereen a plaque for "Untiring Service Rendered to the Belle Glade Police Department" from the members. He said she was very deserving of the award.

Belle Glade Police Chief Michael R. Miller spoke of the need for the community and the police department to come together for this type of service and he thanked Pastor Jones and the congregation for remembering the men and women who put their life on the line every time they go on duty.

Mrs. Ellie Anderson introduced the speaker, and Sister Shirley Morris led the choir in singing *Move Mountains*.

Sister Patricia Wallace of Saint James A.M.E. Church, Pahokee was the guest speaker. She asked the question *Is there a man in the House?* and spoke on the subject.

The service ended with Willie Lawrence, accompanied by Henry Fuce on the piano, singing *To God Be the Glory*.

As he sang the last chorus, the Honor Guards stood and marched down the aisle to the front of the church and stood at attention until the benediction was said.

Fellowship and dinner was served to the crowd immediately following the service at the Lake Shore Civic Center. Officers attended from the Belle Glade Police Department, Pahokee Police Department, the South Bay Police, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, Hendry County Sheriff's Department and Glades Correctional Institution.

Belle Glade City Commissioners Bill Bailey, Steve Weeks, Daniel Bythwood and Harma Miller attended and Basil Anderson, South Bay Commissioner were also in attendance.



Mr. and Mrs. William Guerry

Friends and family are invited to a reception in honor of William and Debra Guerry on June 12 at the Belle Glade Elks Club at 8 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Guerry were married December 29, 1992 in Upper Dublin, Lutheran Church in Ambler, PA.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Dr. Thomas Malewitz.

The Best Man at the double ring ceremony was Joseph Guerry of Belle Glade. The Matron of Honor was Pamela Richard of Warrington, PA and bridesmaid was Susan Lennon of Quakertown, PA.

The bride's nieces, Laura Richards of Warrington, PA and Jennifer Malewitz of Townsend, Mass. were the flower girls.

The ring bearers were John Thomas Richards, of Warrington, PA, nephew of the bride, and John Presley Chichik, nephew of the groom.

Usher was Sgt. David Malewitz, brother of the bride from Townsend, Mass.

## Childbirth preparation classes offered

Pahokee: Childbirth Preparation Classes will be held Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. beginning June 16 at Everglades Regional Medical Center in Pahokee.

The six week workshop includes relaxation techniques, anatomy, understanding labor, breathing exercises, communication with medical team and more.

The classes are taught by Sherri S. Ritter of Okeechobee, a certified childbirth educator, and are sponsored by Planned Parenthood of the Palm Beach Area and Everglades Regional Medical Center.

A \$25 fee is due the first night of class. For more information and registration, call 924-5200, ext. 5051.

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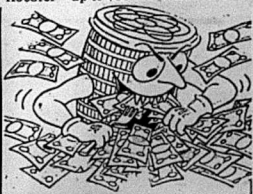
## FPL offers summer tips on how to keep cool this summer

With summer heat on the way, Florida Power & Light Company is offering consumers tips on how to keep cool with energy efficiency in mind. The tips are simple, and when implemented can potentially save homeowners hundreds of dollars annually, said Gary Koester, FPL representative in an article that appeared in the June 3, edition of the Belle Glade Sun. These tips are most effective if your air conditioner is less than 10 years old. Koester

explains that a system older than that may have outlived its usefulness. "Running an older central cooling/heating system can really run up your energy costs," Koester said. "The best way to enhance efficiency is to replace it."

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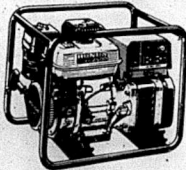
The 17th annual Glisson Family Reunion will be held on Saturday, June 17 at Sunland Environmental park, Marianna, Florida.

All relatives are urged and friends are invited to attend and bring a covered dish.

For more information, contact Jeannette Woodham at 904-592-2685 or Winton Glisson at 813-533-4409.

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## Name wrong

Sarai Cano called to let us know we misspelled her name in the graduation section last week. She graduated from Glades Central High School

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## Southern Bell

I'd like to know why Southern Bell does not work with senior citizens in this area. My mother got a bill from them for \$83.13 and they shut her phone off when she was just a little late. She is on a fixed income and she gets her check the 3rd of each month. They send her bill to her in the middle of the month. I don't think it's right. They should work with the senior citizens. She's 74 years old and has had heart attacks and she needs her phone. I know other people who have bills for more than this and they're not shut off. Now they're going to charge her \$20 to have the phone hooked back up. If you could find out from Southern Bell why they won't work with the old people I'd appreciate it.

**Editor's note:** We spoke with Southern Bell's Spokesman Sid Poe, about this caller's concern. He took the information (including the name and address of the caller, which we deleted from this article). He said Southern Bell has a varying billing dates and they can be changed under certain circumstances, if the company is informed there is a problem.

Mr. Poe is asking this caller to call the office, collect, at 407-387-9126. Explain to them who you are and give them a telephone number where you can be reached and they will discuss this problem with you.

"We not in the business of making life difficult for people," said Mr. Poe. "We'll try to work with them to resolve the problem."

## Fish kill

If the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission catches you with a bass one inch too short or one over your limit, I think the fine starts out at \$50.

What about all these hundreds of thousands of speck and bass and everything else Water Management has killed by pumping the water down too low, too fast? What are they going to fine them? Or will they just get a slap on the back and say "Oh, good deal."

## No shelters in Canal Point

Where can we go for hurricane relief in case it hits here in Canal Point? Pahokee High School is crowded. We have a nice community center here that is used a lot. Also some nice churches that could help. Please, someone help us. Thank you.

**Editor's note:** We spoke with Anne Hopkins who is in charge of the local American Red Cross office. She said the buildings in Canal Point suitable for a hurricane shelter are too

close to the dike for safety. Also, through the experiences learned from Hurricane Andrew, many shelters were taken off the list because they have too much glass, including Canal Point Elementary. Also, a shelter must be able to offer 1,500 square feet of space.

## Where's the mail?

It's late in the afternoon and I live out in the northeast section off Airport Road and we're still waiting for our mail to be delivered out here. This is not just an isolated incident. This is the fourth day this week we've waited. One day the mail delivery didn't get her until after six p.m. I think there ought to be something said about this and something done about this. Thank you for listening.

**Editor's note:** We spoke with Postmaster Johnny Johnson about this caller's problem. He said the post office does not guarantee mail delivery by a certain time each day, although they are trying to adjust their routes to speed up the process.

Vacations and sick leave account for some of the later mail deliveries at certain times of the year. "We try to have all of our mail delivered by 4:30 p.m., but that's not always possible," he said. "We don't like to have our carriers working after 6 p.m., but sometimes that happens."

## Errors are minor

It's a shame that someone has enough time to sit around and count errors in our local newspaper that don't amount to anything. I would like to say that I think this caller needs to do something better with his time than criticize our local newspaper.

To Brenda Bunting and all the employees at *The Sun*, you're doing a fantastic job. Keep up the good work.

**Editor's note:** We received two additional *Speak Outs* which we are unable to run. One was a complaint about a local restaurant. We passed the information on the manager and hopefully, service will improve.

The other was a very long written list of complaints concerning pay, benefits, and equipment at the Belle Glade Fire Department. That list has been turned over to City Manager Lomax Harrelle and Director of Public Safety Michael Miller. They have agreed to go over the list with the fire department personnel.

Please remember, the Fire Department is under union negotiation and many of the problems the concerned citizen addressed, including raises, cannot be dealt with while the men are negotiating for a union. Also, some of the complaints were addressed in a *Speak Out* two weeks ago.

# Guest commentary

By Charles Smith

This is the winning essay in the Zora Neale Hurston Roof Garden Museum, Inc. AfriCamp Essay Contest. Reprinted with permission of the Museum Board.



## I can do great things because...

I was born into a royal family, one of great African descent. My ancestors were great African kings and queens.

Being that I am African-American, it is of great importance that I know my heritage, for it has been said, "In order to know where you are going one must know from whence they have come."

My ancestors did great things, and I being of the same blood line, must not bring shame or disgrace to the pride that they have long fought for. It is of great importance that I transform the dawning discords of a cruel nation into peace and brotherhood.

The spirits of my ancestors would forever be in lamentation if I became a part of negativity. They would forever grieve if I became just another contributor to black-on-black crime.

There are too many African brothers and sisters who are entrenched in the gulf of poverty and despair with no hope or foresight. I refuse to sit back and disregard their earnest cries.

Knowing this, I can do great things because I have motivation and zeal to be like my forefathers who were consistent in the battles to end discrimination and the exploitation of other African-Americans.

I have been brought into existence by a seed of ambition which beckons me to go forth and challenge the super powers of this society.

I will boldly go where no black man has ever gone before, I will attend medical school and become the most prestigious obstetrician/gynecologist the United States has ever known.

I foresee myself as another Dr. Charles Drew who has gone before me and paved the way for me and other black men to become successful ophthalmologists, gynecologists, pediatricians, cardiologists, and anesthesiologists.

I could never have eternal peace if I left this life with these challenges unconquered.

I must start now for life is just a vapor, here today and gone tomorrow.

However, while I am here, I will always do great things.

## Early cancer detection remains a sure bet

By United States Senator Connie Mack (R-FL)

A recent study conducted by Dr. Stephanie London of the University of Southern California concluded vegetable fats used in cooking oils and margarine do not increase the risk of breast cancer.

The study measured these types of fats in the tissue of women volunteers and found "no association" between elevated levels of vegetable fats and increased risk of breast cancer.

Dr. London's findings are contrary to past studies which have indicated the amount of dietary fat women consume increases the risk of breast cancer. A cure for breast cancer is

still nowhere in sight, Dr. Bernard Fisher of the University of Pittsburgh told conference attendees at the American Society of Clinical Oncology in Orlando recently.

With this sobering forecast in mind, there is one piece of information which we can count on, as it is proven time and time again: early detection saves lives. Early cancer detection remains the only sure bet in preventing cancer and increasing its cure. The American Cancer Society finds the survival rate for breast cancer approaches 100% if it is detected in the early stages, where the cancer has not spread. The survival rate decreases, however, to 18%

when the cancer has not been detected early and the cancer has already spread. Early detection has saved lives of so many in my family, including my wife Priscilla and me. To allow all Americans access to these life-saving procedures, I have proposed legislation providing tax credits for cancer screenings.

Women must continue to take early cancer detection steps, regardless of studies indicating certain risk factors may no longer play a role in the incidence of breast cancer. While the risk factors and causes of cancer remain in dispute, one thing remains certain, early cancer detection, including mammography and breast self-examination, saves lives.



## Ask Dr. Boltson

Dr. David Boltson is the associate director of the Western Palm Beach County Mental Health Clinic in Belle Glade, and is a licensed psychologist in private practice in Lake Worth.

### What is normal?

As a psychologist, when I go to parties, I am often asked to give professional opinions about friends, neighbors and of the questioners themselves. Most often, a person will tell me about something that is upsetting them and they want to know if what they are feeling is "normal."

Usually, they want to know if there is something that I can suggest to make their mental suffering go away. If they don't think their pain can go away, then they often want me to tell them their pain in "normal" and therefore "not so bad as they are feeling it is."

While I appreciate these persons interest in improving themselves and in my professional opinion, these kinds of questions highlight to me the kinds of pitfalls in living that many of us can fall into.

In practical terms, the idea of "normal" suffering is useless. Think about it: if you are feeling very badly, are you very comforted by knowing that many other people are feeling very badly too? (Maybe, but probably not too much).

More realistically, when you are unhappy about something, your challenge is to try to change your situation. If you can't change the situation that causes you to suffer, then your challenge is to accept your circumstances and not try to change what can't be changed.

Of course astute readers might already be thinking to themselves: "Wait a minute Dr. Boltson! How do I know in advance what kind of things in life I can change, and what kind of things in life I can't change?" The answer is that YOU DON'T KNOW.

Therefore, anytime you are upset about something, YOU have to decide if you are going to learn to live with the cards that have been dealt to you, or whether you are going to try to change your hand. A therapist can help you to make changes or learn to accept things better, but FIRST you have to decide what it is you want to do.

Many people hurt themselves by trying to live up to other people's expectations of "what is the right thing to do." If you live in a way that doesn't fit your own heart's desire, then not only will you be in pain, but you will not even be on the right track for feeling better about yourself. Maybe this example will help: Let's say you

own a 1977 Plymouth Fury that needs a new water pump. The body is a little banged, but with a new water pump, the car will run fine. So what should you do?

If you have more money, you can decide you don't want to keep a car that old, and buy a new car. Even if you don't have the money for a new car, there are plenty of bank officers out there who will be glad to get you in greater debt.

On the other hand, even if you can afford a new car, you might decide to just fix your current car, and save your extra money for something else you might rather buy in the future.

There is no "right" thing to do in this case. Every choice will have its positive and negative consequences.

What is "normal" to do isn't necessarily the best decision. Many people buy cars on loan, but can barely afford to make the monthly payments. Is it worth the vanity of owning a new car when you could fix an older car and have more money available for other things in life? YOU DECIDE.

When it comes to human relations, the choices are often not even as easy to see as they were in the previous car example. It is hard to be honest enough with yourself to realize the different ways you can act that will cause others to act differently towards you.

Who you want to spend time with, and how you will act with those persons is up to you. Are the people you spend time with lifting you up or bringing you down?

Are your habits making you happier or more sad? Instead of worrying about "what is normal," it is more helpful to think about what you hope to get out of life and realize that actions you take can steer you, towards or away from your goals.

If you would like to anonymously inquire about issues regarding yourself or your acquaintances, you may do so by writing to Dr. Boltson. You don't even have to give your name or address. Just mail all questions to:

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West County Mental Health Clinic  
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## Community workshop

The City of Pahokee will have a community workshop on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

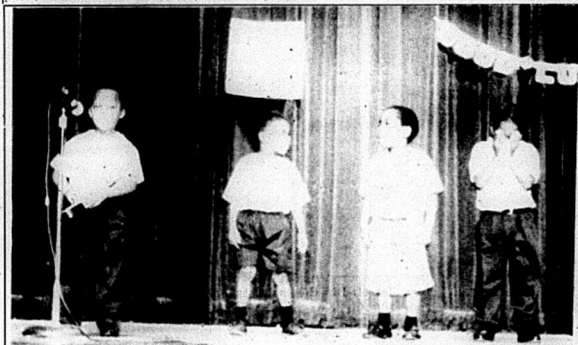
The workshop will deal with the recent flooding problems along Royal Palm Court and North Coconut Road. In addition, the city must decide whether to continue with its city garbage pickup or seek a private garbage disposal service.

The community is invited to attend and express their views on issues.



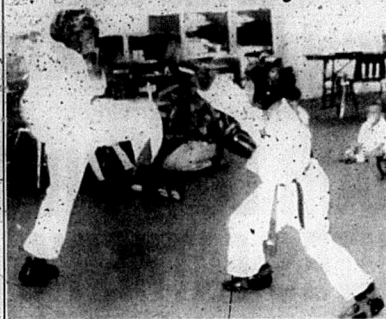
Ronald makes a guest appearance... Ronald McDonald was spotted at South Bay Library where he entertained the children of the South Bay Head Start program with magic tricks and juggling. South Bay Library recently celebrated their one year anniversary.

Staff photo by David Ranieri



Sweet music...Wee Care Child Development Center recently held their graduation ceremonies at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center. The program included presentations on the days of the week, the four senses and ABC's.

## Fists of fury



## Karate school holds demonstration

A Tae Kwan Do demonstration was given by Mr. Hart and his students to the Youth Enrichment Program students at Glades Central Community High School.

The demonstration included steps and moves of different level belts. It also included sparring and block and board breaking demonstrations. According to Mr. Hart, Tae Kwan Do not only teaches adults and children self

defense but also control, discipline and good sportsmanship.

The group was from the Tae Kwan Do school operated by Kenneth Mann here in Belle Glade on Main Street. The children of the Youth Enrichment Program is a program sponsored by the Family Service Center at Glades Central. The program provides enrichment activities for the children of the adults who are attending night school at Glades Central.

## Families needed to host foreign students

Foreign high school students will be arriving soon in the Belle Glade area for homestays and the sponsoring organization urgently needs a few more local host families for their upcoming academic programs.

According to Pacific International Exchange (PIE) Executive Director, John Doty, the students are all between the ages of 15 to 16 years, have their own spending money, are fully insured and are anxious to share their cultural experiences with their new American families. PIE currently has programs to match almost every family's needs, ranging in length from a semester to a full academic year, where the students attend local high schools.

PIE representatives match students with host families by finding common interests and lifestyles through an informal in-home meeting. Prospective host families are able to review student applications and select the "perfect match." As there are no "typical" host families, PIE can fit a student into just about any situation, whether it be a single parent, a childless

couple, a retired couple or a large family.

Families who host for PIE are also eligible to claim a \$50.00 per month charitable contribution deduction on their itemized tax returns for each month they host a sponsored student.

For the upcoming programs, PIE has students from Spain, Germany, Poland, Russia, Italy, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Australia, New Zealand, France and many other countries. PIE is a non-profit educational organization that has sponsored more than 18,000 students from 18 countries since its founding in 1975.

Belle Glade area families interested in learning more about student exchange or arranging for a meeting may call PIE, toll-free, at 1-800-245-6232. The agency also has travel/study program opportunities available for American high school students as well as possibilities for community volunteers to assist and work with area host families, students and schools.

## Florida Scenic Trail dedicated in Pahokee

by David Ranieri  
Staff Reporter

The City of Pahokee is hard at work on improving the marina.

The City Commissioners are currently accepting bids from contractors who are interested in building a fuel service station for the marina.

"When the fuel service station is complete the City of Pahokee will have a full service marina," said Mayor Horta.

The City also received an added boost this past Saturday with the dedication of the Florida Scenic Trail.

The levy of the dike was dedicated as part of the trail which runs from Marathon to Pensacola.

The Florida Scenic Trail will be connected with trails in other states in the future.

The City hopes that the new trail will help to attract hikers, joggers and bikers to the area.



Trees continue to grow as long as they live.

## Graduation



Brian Pursell

Brian Lee Pursell will receive the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting at the conferring of degrees at Valdosta State College on June 13.

Brian is a member of the Alpha Chi Honor Society and Beta Gamma Sigma-School of Business Academic Honorary and was the 1992/1993 recipient of the Georgia Society of CPA's - Valdosta Chapter annual scholarship.

Brian was a 1989 graduate of Glades Day School.



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## Raider Log

By Beth Buchanan

### School's Out

Glades Central finishes the 1992/1993 school year today, June 10. Hooray and finally! Following the completion of seventh period exams and an

extended lunch, school dismissed at noon. Teachers, however, have two post planning days to finish grade reports and generally checkout for the summer. Report cards are due to be mailed out June 22.

Meanwhile, summer school registration for the first semester is scheduled for June 17 for those students wishing to make up credits. Classes begin June 21. And for those who really like to plan ahead, school begins for students on August 23rd. Meanwhile, have a nice summer vacation.

### Students of the week

The following students were honored for the week of May 23rd. Juniors Mohammad

Yacub and Terry Young; sophomores Donald Bryant and Katrina Wisper and freshman Dieula Lorient. Congratulations.

### Senior Class Night

As a postscript to the senior class night festivities, the following graduated seniors received departmental recognition for excellence: foreign language, Spanish- Kettia Cioidine, French- Vickie Wycoff; technical education, Jason Mills; business education, Temakia Dowdell, Jaime Brown, and Karynn Ross; social studies, Heather Frazer and Mark Crosbie; English, Eva Van Winkel, Kenny Lutz and Anri Posada; science, Emmanuel Lestage; computer science,

Charles Inman; art, Glenda Hooker and Chevron Rolfe; math, Stacy Webb and home economics, Samuel Berry.

Other awards included citizenship, Jaime Brown, Kimberly Adams, Zalina Rodriguez, Kenny Lutz and Tony Pino; community volunteer award, Kenny Lutz and Tony Pino; student council award, Shomari Sanford and the AKA scholarship Latangela Laing, Mr. Glenn Hoard, Mr. Richard Aho, Sarah Bennett and Dr. Effie Gear were also recognized for their special service to the class of 93.

### Brain Bowl Members

The Black History Brain bowl team members for the 93/94 school have been selected. They

include Stacey Hutchinson, Dahlia Forde, Sarika Brown, Roger Williams, Patricia Morrison, Sherbert Samuels and Donna Joseph. Congratulations to the new team.

### Varsity Cheerleaders for 93/94

After recent try-outs, the following young ladies will cheer on the Raiders at next season's games: Sharon Ricketts, O'Neeka Haren, Shericka Freeman, Tamekah Butler, Rhonetta Freeman, Tushebia Lane, Yashica Freeman, Tequilla Nelson, Ronelda Frederick, Dorothy Bennett and Tatichia Mosley. Alternates are Station Konehela, Rose Mae Davis and Mayra Delion.

## PBCC announces graduates

A total of 578 students at Palm Beach Community College were awarded degrees at winter term commencement exercises held May 6 at the Palm Beach Jai Alai Fronton in West Palm Beach.

The graduates included: Belle Glade residents- Milagros Borrego, James Campbell, Mark Challancin, Dorn Gordon, Cicely Henderson, Kelvin Johnson, Lisa Logan, Jennifer McDuffie, Kelly McKee, Jack Resmondo, Jr. and Twaina White.

Pahokee residents- Marcia Bolo, Felisia Hill and Michelle Wilkinson.

## Obituaries

### Ball

John Earl Ball entered into rest on Saturday, May 30.

Ball was born in Drew, Mississippi to the late Lucille Flower Ball and Willie Ball, Sr.

He is survived by: daughter, Michelle Ball of Indianapolis, IN; brothers, Willie Ball of East St. Louis, IL, Willie Ball, Jr. of South Bay and Leroy Ball of East St. Louis; sisters, Luella Wright of Marks, Mississippi, Gertrude Ball, Georgia Mae Ball, both of East St. Louis, Lucille Ball Eliza Brockman and Katherine Brockman all of South Bay, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Services were held Saturday, June 5 at Miller Mortuary. Interment followed in the Port Mayaca Cemetery.

Miller Mortuary was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

### Bradley

Tommie Lee Bradley of Belle Glade entered into rest Tuesday, June 1.

Bradley was a member of the St. Paul Church of God in Christ. He is the son Henry and Bessie Bradley.

He is survived by: wife, Agnes Bradley; daughter, Mary Bradley; sons, David Bradley and Ernest Wood of Augusta, GA; brothers, Edward Bradley and Plato Bradley, nieces, nephews, cousin, grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

### Turner

M.C. Turner entered into rest on Tuesday, June 1.

Turner attended Dothan High School in Dothan, AL. He is the son of the late Albert and Corine Turner McCray.

He is survived by: sisters, Nettie Williams of Washington, D.C., Emma Johnson of Miami, Vadia McCray of Tampa; brothers, W.C. Turner of Clewiston, Homer Turner of Miami and Willie McCray of Tallahassee; aunt, Irene Stanley of South Bay, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Services were held at the Glorious Community Holiness Church in Clewiston, Reverend T.N. Granville officiated. Interment followed in Washington Memorial Cemetery in Clewiston.

Miller Mortuary was in charge of the arrangements.

### Stevenson

Horace Stevenson, Jr., better known as Deon Stevenson entered into rest on Monday, May 31.

As a child he attended the United House of Prayer. After graduating he joined the United States Air Force. He later became a member of the St. Paul Church of God in Christ.

Paul Church of God in Christ.

He is survived by: wife, Mary Stevenson; daughters, Joanne Johnson, Patricia Brown, Tabatha Taylor of Belle Glade, Jacklin Kyles of South Bay, Denise Stevenson of Tampa, Sabrina Stevenson of West Palm Beach, Tiny Stevenson of CA and Cathy Ross of Miami; sons, Leroy Leggett of Belle Glade, Hugh Mingo of South Bay, Barry Stevenson of New Jersey and Willie Stevenson of West Palm Beach; sisters, Christine Haskine, Marlene Stevenson and Ruth Hills of Vineland, N.J.; brothers, Jackie Stevenson of N.J. and Jesse

Stevenson of Washington, D.C. and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Services were held at the Greater Church of God in Christ, Reverend Clarence Brown officiated. Interment followed in the Bushness National Cemetery.

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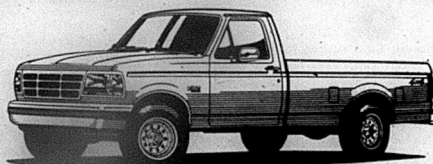
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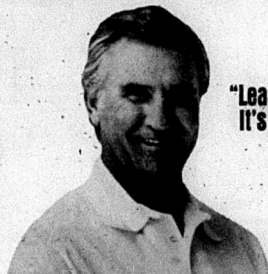
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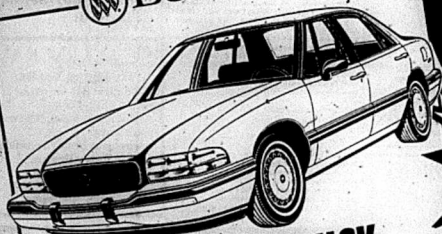
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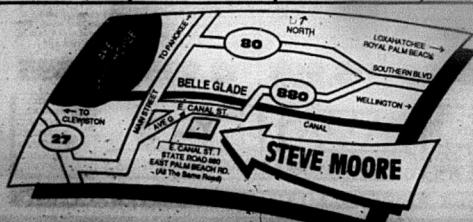
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## Disaster history of the area

Hurricane activity in the southern end of the Florida peninsula has a long and varied history. Based on information from the National Hurricane Center, the first recorded hurricane to affect this area was a

miles east of Jacksonville. Then it suddenly headed in a south-southwest direction, eventually making landfall in Miami. Because the track of the hurricane took a surprise direction, Miami was caught off guard and

region of maximum hurricane activity is in the Gulf of Mexico and the western Caribbean. Most of those systems that move into Florida approach the State from the south or southwest, entering the Keys or along the



category 1 making landfall on September 11, 1903. In the intervening years an additional twenty-seven hurricanes have affected the South Florida region. Hurricane Andrew, the most costly of all natural disasters in U.S. history (\$20 billion), is the twenty-eighth hurricane.

While Hurricane Andrew has had a profound effect on South Florida, the same was said of a number of past hurricanes. The hurricane of 1928 (category 4) made landfall around Palm Beach and then crossed Lake Okeechobee, driving all the water to one side of the lake. This in combination with normal storm precipitation, resulted in flooding which took 1,836 lives. This 1928 hurricane is considered the most catastrophic for Florida with regard to total lives lost. A dike, which was constructed as a result of this hurricane, now surrounds the lake.

The Labor Day Hurricane (category 5) of 1935, which struck the Florida Keys, resulted in the destruction of the railroad to Key West and the loss of 408 lives and caused up to 50 million dollars in damage. The storm surge, which piled water up against the elevated railroad bed, reached a height of twenty feet in some portions of the Keys.

The Yankee Hurricane of November, 1935, was one of the most unusual to impact the South Florida region. Initially, this storm reached a point 300

5 deaths and 137 injuries occurred.

The hurricane of 1945 (category 3) impacted an area in South Dade County which is presently occupied by the Metro-Zoo. In 1945, however, the world's largest blimp base, Richmond Naval Air Station, was located at this spot. The 1945 hurricane struck the 2,107 acre base, killing one person, injuring 26 and destroying 393 airplanes and blimps through a combination of wind and fire. Property losses from this hurricane are estimated to be as high as \$30,000 million.

In September of 1960, Hurricane Donna crossed the Florida Keys and then moved northeastward across the state from the Fort Myers area to an area near Daytona Beach. It is thought to be the most financially destructive hurricane ever experienced in Florida prior to Hurricane Andrew, causing an estimated \$305 million in damages. Four lives were lost in southwest Florida.

In 1964, three hurricanes - Cleo, Dora and Isabel, impacted Florida causing the greatest damage from hurricanes in any one year with damages estimated at \$362 million. The hurricanes occurred far enough apart geographically that there was little damage overlap.

The vulnerability of the State to hurricanes varies with the progress of the hurricane season. Early and late in the season (June and October), the

west coast. In mid-season (August and most of September) the tropical cyclones normally approach the State from the east or southeast.

Other relevant data which reflect Florida's hurricane disaster history have been collected by the National Hurricane Center:

\*More than one in three of this century's major hurricanes, those with winds above 111 m.p.h. (category 3), hit Florida;

\*Florida's hurricanes are among the most intense: Four of the five most powerful storms to hit the U.S. coastline hit Florida. Only Camille, the second most powerful storm on record, dodged the state;

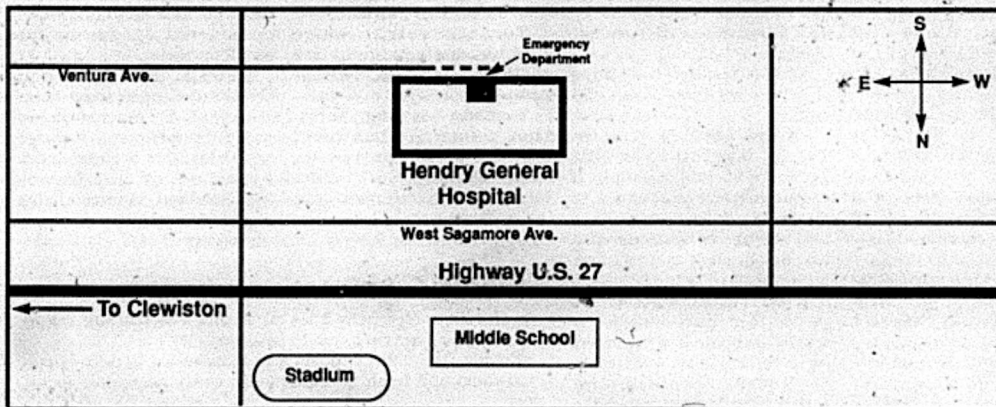
\*In Florida, September has been the cruellest month. Twenty-three storms, 41 percent, have hit during this month. Fourteen have hit in the first two weeks of September alone. October trails with 17 hits. The Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico "petri-dishes" reach their warmest temperatures during September and October, providing more moisture and energy to power budding storms; and

\*Nearly half of all the recorded hurricanes that have hit Florida struck between 1920 and 1950. In the 1940's, Florida recorded ten hurricanes. Until Andrew, the last major hurricane to hit South Florida was Betsy - twenty seven years ago. Only seven have hit since 1970. The last, Floyd, was a mild storm that hit the Florida Keys in 1987.



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# Hurricane dictionary: Know your lingo

Here are some of the terms you'll hear if severe weather threatens the area:

**Weather conditions**  
**Tropical disturbance:** A moving area of thunderstorms over tropical waters that maintains its identity for at least 24 hours.

**Tropical cyclone:** A mass of storm clouds, originating over tropical waters, that has a distinct rotary direction. Ranges in diameter from 60 to 1,000 miles and develops winds up to 200 mph. A cyclone carries torrential rains and blows counterclockwise in the Northern Hemisphere and clockwise in the Southern Hemisphere.

**Tropical depression:** A tropical cyclone with winds of 38 mph.

**Tropical storm:** A tropical cyclone with sustained winds of between 39 and 73 mph.

**Eye of the hurricane:** The relatively calm area near the center of the storm.

**Storm surge:** The high and forceful wind-driven waters sweeping along the coast near where the storm's eye hits land, or where it passes near the coast.

**Storm tide:** An abnormal rise of the sea along the shore because of winds.

**Squall:** A sudden increase of wind speed by at least 18 mph and increasing to 25 mph or more and lasting for at least one minute.

**Tornado:** Violently rotating columns of air that extend in a funnel shape from thunderstorm clouds.

**Water spout:** A relatively small tornado over water with winds rarely exceeding 50 mph.

**Terms used by the media**

**Emergency Broadcast System:** Radio and television stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission to issue emergency warnings.

**Weather advisory:** A formal message of severe

weather conditions issued by the National Weather Service and transmitted by the Emergency Broadcast System.

**Gale warning:** A warning of winds between 39 and 54 mph.

**Storm warning:** A warning of sustained winds between 55 and 73 mph. If a hurricane is expected to strike a coastal area, gale and storm warnings usually will not precede a hurricane warning.

**Hurricane watch:** A notice that hurricane-force winds and rain are expected for a certain area within 24-36 hours. People in the watch area should listen for further advisories and be prepared to act quickly if a hurricane warning is issued.

**Hurricane warning:** A warning that there will be hurricane-force rain and winds of at least 74 mph within 24 hours. Warnings also may be issued for areas where dangerously high water or waves are expected.

**Hurricane track:** The storm's path of movement.

**Tornado watch:** Notice that weather conditions are right for a tornado to develop.

**Tornado warning:** Notice that a tornado has been sighted or is spotted on radar. Warnings will give the location of the tornado and the area immediately affected by the warning.

**Small craft advisory:** Forecast winds as high as 38 mph and sea conditions considered dangerous for small craft.

**SLOSH:** (Sea, Lake and Overland Surges from Hurricanes) A computerized model prediction tidal surge heights and winds from hypothetical hurricanes with selected characteristics in size, forward speed, track and winds.

## Electrical storm safety tips ...

In the event electricity goes off during a storm, the following safety precautions should be taken:

- Keep a flashlight, candles and matches, a battery-operated radio and fresh batteries in an easily accessible location.
  - Do not touch or attempt to move loose or dangling wires.
  - Make sure that all light switches are in the off position.
  - Unplug appliances, especially items such as your television, video-cassette recorder, stereo and home computer equipment.
  - Park your car away from trees and utility poles.
  - Remain indoors during the storm.
  - Stay tuned to radio broadcasts for weather and public safety advisories.
- After the storm is over, be sure to report any electrical damage or downed power lines in your community to your utility company.

## Hurricane Season is Here!

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## How Andrew became so ferocious

Andrew's genesis from a tropical wave off the west coast of Africa was the beginning of the most powerful hurricane to strike the United States since Camille in 1969. The wave moved westward at about 23 miles per hour passing south of the Cape Verde Islands on August 15, 1992. The wave then became sufficiently well organized for the National Hurricane Center to begin classifying its intensity. As it continued its movement westward, the wave transitioned to a tropical depression and early Mon-

day morning, August 17, the first Atlantic tropical storm of the 1992 hurricane season was named Andrew.

The storm continued its westerly tract turning slightly north toward the Lesser Antilles, but steering winds saved the islands from an encounter with this tropical cyclone. Andrew alternately degenerated and increased in intensity until August 21, at which time large-scale weather changes occurred near the storm and Andrew turned directly west, accelerated to

over 18 miles per hour and quickly intensified.

Andrew reached hurricane strength on Saturday, August 22, thus becoming the first Atlantic hurricane to form from a tropical wave in nearly two years. The eye formed, the storm strengthened, and within 36 hours Andrew reached the borderline between category 4 and 5 hurricane on the Saffir-Simpson intensity scale. The central pressure fell rapidly from 1014 mb to 922 mb during this 36 hour period.

Maintaining its strength as a strong category 4 hurricane, Andrew drove nearly due west and crossed over northern Eleuthera Island late August 23 and then crossed the southern Berry Islands in the Bahamas around midnight on August 23. Heavy damage was inflicted at Government Harbour, Hatchet Bay and Upper and Lower Bogue. Practically every house on Current Island was destroyed.

Although Andrew initially weakened over the Florida Straits, it rapidly reintensified during the last few hours preceding landfall on the southeastern shore of Florida. The eye came ashore on August 24th at 5:05 a.m., directly east of Homestead Air Force Base

and was accompanied by a significant storm surge. During the next four hours Andrew proceeded slightly north of west across the peninsula. Andrew was the first category 4 hurricane to make this crossing in the 20th century. Although it weakened about one category during its transit over land, Andrew was still a major hurricane when its eyewall hit the extreme southwestern Florida coast.

A description of Andrew would not be complete without a record of the public notices that were issued and broadcast throughout the course of this violent storm. The first hurricane watch was posted on August 22 at 11:00 in the morning. Six hours later the first warning was issued for the northwest Bahamas from Andros and Eleuthera Islands northward through Grand Bahama and Great Abaco. At this same time, a watch was issued for the Florida east coast from Titusville southward through the Keys, including the Dry Tortugas. At midnight, on August 22, the hurricane warning was extended to the central Bahamas including Cat Island, Great Exuma, San Salvador, and Long Island. At 8:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23, 21 hours

before the eye reached the Florida shore, the National Weather Service broadcast a hurricane warning for the east coast of Florida and the evacuation order was given for Dade County. An hour later the County Emergency Operations Center was informed that the storm classification had been raised to category 4 and the evacuation order was expanded to the highest level. Loss of life was minimized due to timely and order evacuation of approximately 700,000 people from South Florida.

The damages inflicted upon the State of Florida by Hurricane Andrew made it the costliest disaster in United States history. In Florida, 43 deaths are attributed to the storm, 15 directly and 28 indirectly. Figures vary, but an estimated single family homes, mobile homes and apartments were destroyed or received major damage. Approximately 52,000 received minor damage and 160,000 people were left homeless.

(The above information was excerpted from the Interagency Hazard Mitigation Team Report issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on March 17, 1993 to county Emergency Management officials with 115 recommendations to improve emergency management before, during and after a hurricane.)



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# Getting ready for the "BIG" one .....

## Things to do:

• **Be Alert** to hurricane and tropical storm advisories. Listen to television reports, local radio or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Weather Radio to get information about advisory updates.

• **Hurricane Watch**—means a possible hurricane within 24 to 36 hours.

• **Hurricane Warning**—means a hurricane is expected within 24 hours, or

less.

• **Listen** carefully to local official and evacuate the area if told to do so.

• **Leave** low lying or coastal areas and off-shore islands as well as mobile homes for more substantial shelter. The storm surge, the most dangerous part of the hurricane, is a dome of water that comes across the coast as the hurricane makes land-fall. Tides are 5 to 25 feet above normal and superimposed on the high tides are large wind-driven waves. Ninety percent of the deaths that are caused by hurri-

canes are due to this surge.

• **Stay** at home if dwelling is sturdy and on high ground. Stay indoors during the hurricane and away from windows on the downside of the house.

• **Moor** your boat securely or move it to safe shelter.

• **Secure** outdoor objects or bring them indoors.

• **Protect** your windows with boards, shutters or tape.

• **Fuel** car.

• **Draw** enough water to last several days.

• **Bring** pets indoors.

• **Beware** the eye of the hurricane. This calm center can be deceptive by its' clear sky and light winds. The hurricane's eye is bordered by winds and rains of maximum force that blow from the opposite direction to the winds and rains in the beginning half of the storm.

• **Be Prepared** Each season prepare a supply checklist of all items you will need to stock to outlast the storm. Don't wait until the last minute when the stores run low on supplies.

• **Learn** the location of

local shelters and how to get there.

• **Power** is often disrupted during severe weather, so you must keep alert to alternative sources for cooking, as well as know how to conserve energy.

• **Try** to have extra cash on hand for special emergencies. Banks cannot function in a power shortage.

• **Have** protective footwear handy. Venturing outdoors after a storm may present special hazards such as contaminated water from backed up sewer lines or snakes.

## Plan ahead - but If Plan A doesn't work go to Plan B - or Plan C

### PLAN A... THE SAFEST:

Evacuate outside the threatened area as far ahead of time as possible.

### PLAN B... REASONABLY SECURE:

Stay home if your house is safe from flooding and able to withstand high winds. (All mobile home owners are urged to evacuate. Make plans for tying down the mobile home before you leave. Instructions can be obtained from your dealer or your insurance agent.)

Listed below are advanced hurricane preparations to be taken if you choose Plan B.

### MAKE SURE YOU HAVE

### THESE ITEMS:

- Battery Operated Radio
- Flashlight
- Extra Flashlight Bulbs
- Extra Batteries
- Emergency Cooking Facilities
- Lantern
- Fuel
- Candles
- Matches
- Canned Food and
- Canned Milk
- Extra Medications.
- Baby Food
- First Aid Kit
- Bleach
- Bottle and Can Openers (not electric)
- Plastic Water Containers
- Hammer, Handsaw, Nails
- Plywood or Boards for

### Windows

-Tarpaulin or Sheet of

### Plastic

### OTHER TIPS:

-Board up windows and protect them with shutters or tape.

-Collect drinking water in clean plastic containers, cooking pots and in clean bathtubs.

-Turn the refrigerator and freezer to coldest setting to preserve food as long as possible in case of power failure.

-Fill gas tank of your car. Keep vehicle in good working order. A highway flare, first aid kit and spare tire are recommended.

-Tie down and secure outdoor objects such as garbage

cans, garden furniture, tools, awnings and radio/TV antennas.

### PLAN C... IF IN DOUBT:

Stay with friends, relatives or at a motel located in an area safe from flooding.

### PLAN D... THE SHELTER

Go to a Red Cross Emergency Shelter or other official shelter in your area. If you evacuate be sure to shut off gas valves, electric switches and turn off main water valve.

-Eat something before you leave home. Do not go to a shelter hungry. In some cases, emergency rations will be available only as the storm

progresses, but in others you may have to bring your own food supply. No candy or sweets will be furnished.

You will be asked to register as soon as you enter the building: list the names and ages of your entire group. If you are able to do so, please volunteer to assist the shelter workers in making your stay there as comfortable as possible.

Put identification tags on all members of your group.

While using the shelter, you are required to keep the building clean and sanitary.

There will be no phones available for your personal use.

• **ONLY** Seeing-eye dogs will be permitted.

## Making those (un)necessary phone calls

Try to stay off the telephone unless it is an urgent matter. Don't make phone calls just to chat.

This is a time when it is urgent that phone lines be kept available for the thousand of emergency and emergency-related calls that need to be placed to assure the safety of people who are ill, handicapped, or homeless.

"This creates terrible problems for all of us," said Mr. Gerry Harris of Glades County Emergency Management Services. "All the circuits become loaded, grid-locked, and it shuts down the system."

## Will your roof blow off in a storm?

For years the construction industry was told to put heavy emphasis on good heavy solid foundations reinforcing walls and beams - we were blessed out by people for requiring what we required on footers and foundations to solidly anchor the structure. Now, we know we might have been putting emphasis in the wrong area what Roofs first to go.

Hurricane Andrew changed the thinking of the building code experts. They use to emphasize a solid foundation and a strong wall structure in building a house. But this hurricane showed most damage to homes came from roofs.

"People lost their entire roof system - not just the roof," said Mr. Gerry Harris, Glades County's Emergency Management Services Director and head of Building and Zoning Departments.

He said a "system" is anything from the top of the four concrete walls - the wooden rafters, joists or trusses that go on top, and the decking over that, with shingles. "The system was falling, right down to the rafters collapsing," he said. "Keep in mind we're talking about a system of integrated components where one weakness, one point of vulnerability, will cause the collapse of the entire system."

One house hazard in a hurricane are gabled ends at the end of a house. If the gable gives way under the wind, as many do, and it is facing the approaching wind, suddenly that cavity inside the roof system - the attic - becomes a wind tunnel - it builds up a terrific pressure so the roof sheeting blows straight up and

explodes, said Mr. Harris.

"Then the trusses, like a stack of cards, lays down. If you've lost your roof, what difference does it make if you have four walls still standing," he said. "Everything you've ever accumulated - your whole life's belongings, are gone."

If you have gables on your house, it's a good idea to brace them with two-by-fours to make sure they don't give way.

Another potential wind tunnel can be created from double garage doors.

Mr. Harris said the doors manufactured in Florida were supposed to meet specifications to withstand high winds. In Dade County, they did not. "People with garage doors facing the winds found they were blowing in, filling with wind and just like a pressure chamber - 'boom!' they exploded blowing off the ceiling, the roof and everything else was destroyed."

Garage doors may also need to be bolstered.

Finally all windows need to be protected. The highest wind shear point is at the corners of the house where the wind whips around it so if you do have windows at corners be concerned about covering them. You can cover windows with plywood if you don't have storm shutters but they often rip off in a storm, too. Mr. Harris suggests his own technique which is much cheaper. He covering windows with vinyl plastic contact shelving paper. It won't keep glass from breaking, but it will keep glass from shattering into a thousand tiny splinters.



## Phillipe? Ophelia? How storms get named

The National Hurricane Center near Miami keeps a constant watch on oceanic storm-breeding areas for tropical disturbances which may herald the formation of a hurricane. If a disturbance intensifies into a tropical storm with rotary circulation and wind speeds above 39 miles per hour - the Center will give the storm a name from a predetermined alphabetical list. There are six sets of lists that repeat each other every six years.

Experience shows that the use of short, distinctive given names in written as well as in spoken communications is quicker, and less subject to error than the older more cumbersome latitude-longitude identification methods. These advantages are especially important in exchanging detailed storm information between hundreds of widely scattered stations, airports, coastal bases, and ships at sea.

The letters Q, U, X, Y and Z are not included because of the scarcity of names beginning with those letters.

Names are selected from library sources and agreed upon by nations involved during international meetings of the World Meteorological Organization.

The 1993 list of names for

Atlantic Storms are as follows:

Arlene  
Bret  
Cindy  
Dennis  
Emily  
Floyd  
Gert  
Harvey  
Irene  
Jose  
Katrina  
Lenny  
Maria  
Nate  
Ophelia  
Phillippe  
Rita  
Stan  
Tammy  
Vince  
Wilma

## Water: the absolute necessity

Stocking water reserves and learning how to purify contaminated water should be among your top priorities in preparing for an emergency. You should store at least a two-week supply of water for each member of your family. Everyone's needs will differ, depending upon age, physical condition, activity, diet, and climate. A normally active person needs to drink at least two quarts of water each day.

Hot environments can double that that amount. Children, nursing and ill people will need more. You will need additional water for food preparation and hygiene. Store a total of at least one gallon per person, per day.

If your supplies begin to run low, remember: Never ration water. Drink the amount you need today, and try to find more for tomorrow. You can minimize the amount of water your body needs by reducing activity and staying cool.

You can store your water in thoroughly washed plastic, glass, fiber-glass or enamel-lined metal containers. Never use a container that has

held toxic substances, because tiny amounts may remain in the container's pores. Sound plastic containers, such as soft drink bottles, are best. You can also purchase food-grade plastic buckets or drums. Before storing your water, treat it with preservatives, such as chlorine bleach, to prevent growth of microorganisms. Use liquid bleach that contains 5.25 percent sodium hypochlorite and no soap. Add four drops of bleach per quart of water and stir. Seal your water containers tightly, label them and store them in a cool place.

If a disaster catches you without a stored supply of clean water, you can use water in your hot-water tank, in your plumbing, and in ice cubes.

As a last resort you can use water in the reservoir tank of your toilet (not the bowl), but purify it first.

Water beds hold up to 400 gallons, but some water beds contain toxic chemicals that are not fully removed by many purifiers. If you designate a water bed in your home as an

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## SEVERE WEATHER



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## HURRICANE SAFETY TIPS

- 1 Enter each hurricane season prepared. Check your supply of boards, tools, batteries, non-perishable foods, and other equipment you may need.
- 2 When you hear the first tropical cyclone advisory, listen for future messages. This will alert you well in advance.
- 3 When your area is covered by a hurricane watch, continue normal activities, but stay tuned to THE WEATHER CHANNEL for further advisories. Be sure to keep a battery powered radio around at all times. Remember: a hurricane watch means possible danger; if the danger materializes, a hurricane warning will be issued.
- 4 When your area receives a hurricane warning:
  - Leave low-lying areas
  - Floor you boat securely or evacuate it
  - Protect your windows with boards, shutters, or tape
  - Secure outdoor objects or bring them indoors
  - Fuel your car
  - Save several days' water supply - victims of
- 5 Avoid the eye of the hurricane. If the calm storm center passes directly overhead there will be a lull in the wind lasting from a few minutes to half an hour or more. But remember, at the other side of the eye, the winds rise very rapidly to hurricane force, coming from the opposite direction.
- 6 Be aware of flooding. Hurricane moving inland can cause severe flooding. Stay away from river banks and streams. A hurricane causes sea levels to rise above normal tide heights, with giant wind-driven waves and strong, unpredictable currents. These are the storm's worst killers.
- 7 For up to the minute coverage of potentially severe weather, tune in to "Tropical Update," hourly on THE WEATHER CHANNEL.

Hurricane Hugo said that this was very important:  
-Stay at home if it is sturdy and on high ground  
-Leave mobile homes for more substantial shelter  
-Stay indoors during the hurricane  
-When called to evacuate, do so immediately

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## Evacuating your home? Leave with valuable papers

This year it is extremely important not to be caught in the midst of a violent storm when it would be safer and saner to leave, to evacuate, from your home. Emergency Management Services have determined that no mobile home is safe from hurricane winds and all occupants should leave. Whether or not a person should go to a shelter depends on the force of the storm. Almost no structure in Glades or Hendry County, and only a few in the Belle Glade to Canal Point area, is safe during a Category Three, or higher, storm.

Anytime there is a hurricane warning for a category Three storm or higher, evacuation orders will most likely be issued.

They are issued over the radio, over television and by bullhorn on the streets from official trucks and cars.

The following are some tips for evacuation:

- Sometimes it is best to pick a route that is not heavily-travelled. For example, you might drive up old U.S. 27 through Dundee and Polk County to find a motel northwest of

Orlando. During the Hurricane Andrew evacuation, there were times when the Florida Turnpike was crowded with cars all fleeing north. The motels in Orlando were jammed. But off-the-beaten track there is a better chance of finding accommodations. Check the maps in advance - ask questions.

- Take titles to cars, boats, and your deed.

"They could be destroyed when you get back."

This is something you should not be doing frantically running around 24 hours before the storm hits. It should be part of your family plan done weeks and months ahead of time - know where they are, in one location, ready to be picked up.

- Come back expecting the worst. Try to get a good idea what you are returning to. Should you be coming back with a generator with you? Bring back water, food, even building supplies. You may not be allowed to return to your home immediately if there are dangerous conditions such as live wires or falling structures not yet removed.

## Prepare a Disaster Supplies Kit

Before the need arises, assemble the supplies you might need in the event of an emergency.

Store the items in an easy to carry container. Backpacks and duffel bags work well.

The following is a suggested list of items to include in your kit:

- Supply of water (one gallon per person per day). Store water in sealed, unbreakable containers. Identify the storage date and replace every six months.
- A supply of non-perishable packaged or canned foods and a non-electric can opener.
- A change of clothing, rain gear and sturdy shoes.
- Blankets and sleeping bags.
- A first aid kit and any prescription medicines.
- An extra pair of glasses.
- A battery-powered radio, flashlight, and plenty of extra batteries.
- Credit cards and cash.
- An extra set of car and house keys.
- A list of family physicians.
- A list of important family information: identification tags, important telephone numbers, medical information (i.e. the style and serial number of medical implant devices such as pacemakers).
- Special items for infants, elderly or disabled family members.
- Personal hygiene and sanitation items.

## Fill out form:

Whether or not you must evacuate your home and drive to higher ground and out of the storm's path, or go to a shelter, be sure to have an emergency plan with important names and phone numbers ready for your use or accessible to an emergency team. Give the same plan to all members of the family in case you are separated when the storm hits.

### Emergency Plan

#### Out-of-State Contact

Name \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

#### Local Contact

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

#### Nearest Relative

Name \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

#### Family Work Numbers

Father \_\_\_\_\_ Mother \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

#### Emergency Telephone Numbers

In a life threatening emergency, dial 911 or the local emergency medical services system number.

Police Department \_\_\_\_\_

Fire Department \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital \_\_\_\_\_

#### Family Physicians

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

#### Reunion Locations

1. Right outside your home \_\_\_\_\_

2. Away from the neighborhood, in case you cannot return home \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Route to try first \_\_\_\_\_



## Don't let Rover blow over- Preparing your pet for a hurricane



Did you know that many people risk their lives by refusing to evacuate their homes if forced to leave their pets behind during a hurricane? American Red Cross shelters can not accept pets for health reasons, but now there is an alternative for animal lovers.

The Palm Beach County Chapter of the American Red Cross, in cooperation with area veterinarians, the Palm Beach County Veterinary Society and the Animal Rescue League of the Palm Beaches, has developed a network of Red Cross Pet Hurricane Shelters.

If you must evacuate, you should consider bringing your pet to a safer place, either to a friend's home, or to a Red Cross Pet Hurricane Shelter.

Before a hurricane plan ahead...

•Talk to your veterinarian about having your pet stay. Ask if advance reservations are necessary. Standard boarding fees will be charged.

•Have your pet vaccinated yearly. Pet shelters can not accept unvaccinated animals.

Vaccines for dogs: Rabies, distemper, parvo-coronavirus and bordetella (kennel cough);

Vaccines for cats: Rabies, feline distemper combination and feline leukemia.

•Make sure your pet is wearing a collar with ID and a leash.

•Bring any necessary medications.

•Bring pet food and bottled water, enough for three days, to the shelter.

•Smaller animals should be transported in a carrier. If you have a spacious crate, please bring it.

Remember... There are more pets than boarding spaces in veterinary shelters. Only use shelters if no other choices are available.

There will be no home pick-up of pets, so plan your evacuation route carefully. Get your pets and family to Red Cross shelters or other safe places as quickly and safely as possible.

Livestock should only be boarded in barns that are strong enough to withstand the FULL storm surge. Leaving livestock in fenced pasture is sometimes a better alternative. Proper ID should be worn by livestock at all times. This will be helpful for animals that get lost or injured during the hurricane.

After the storm...

Use caution in allowing your pet outdoors after the storm has passed. Familiar scents and landmarks may be altered and your pet could easily be confused and become lost. Downed power lines, broken glass and other hazards could present real dangers to your pet.

Take precautions not to allow your pet to consume water or food which may have become contaminated.

By taking the proper precautions, you and your loved ones (two- or four-legged) can safely weather a hurricane.

For more information, call the American Red Cross at 407-833-7711 or your local veterinarian.

The following are safe havens where you may leave your pet while you and your family seek safe shelter with the American Red Cross or elsewhere:

**Kidder Animal Hospital**  
208NW Avenue L  
Belle Glade  
407-996-5281

**Marketplace Animal Hospital**  
Wellington  
407-790-6300

**Clewiston Animal Hospital**  
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## Monitor the storm's position with this tracking map

Official advisories from the U.S. Weather Bureau may be plotted directly on this map. The position of the hurricane from the Glades will be clearly visible once the tracking has begun. To determine the distance from the Glades, figure approximately 70 miles for each square.



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Clewiston, FL. 33440

**Clewiston Eastside/Westside Elementary Schools**  
(formerly Clewiston Primary School)  
201 West Arroya Avenue  
Clewiston, FL. 33440

**Clewiston High School**  
1501 S. Francisco Street  
Clewiston, FL. 33440

**Clewiston Middle School**  
(formerly Clewiston High School)  
601 West Osceola Avenue  
Clewiston, FL. 33440  
(Special Needs Shelter)

**Harlem Community Civic Auditorium**  
Second Avenue and Carolina Street  
Clewiston, FL. 33440

**Montura-Flaghale Volunteer Fire Department**  
465 Del Sur Montura  
Clewiston, FL. 33440

**Pioneer Volunteer Fire Department**  
2499 Hendry Isles Blvd.  
Pioneer Plantation  
Clewiston, FL. 33440

**LaBelle Civic Center**  
400 Hickpoochee Avenue  
LaBelle, FL. 33935  
(Special Needs Shelter)

**LaBelle High School**  
4050 Garden Road  
Port LaBelle  
LaBelle, FL. 33935

**LaBelle Intermediate School**  
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Port LaBelle  
LaBelle, FL. 33935

**LaBelle Elementary School**  
Garden Road  
(State Road 80A)  
LaBelle, FL. 33935

**Felda Community Center**  
1050 County Road  
Felda, FL. 33930

## Glades County

**American Legion Hall**  
U.S. 27 on the Caloosahatchee River  
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**Baptist Church of Buckhead Ridge**  
Hunter Road  
Buckhead Ridge

**Buckhead Ridge Community Center**  
1 and 11  
State Road 78 at Buckhead Ridge Fire Department  
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**Buckhead Ridge Volunteer Fire Department**  
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## Be prepared for medical emergencies

The devastation wrought by Hurricane Andrew on areas of south Florida serves as a graphic reminder that one can't be overly prepared for the onslaught of a major storm.

While most people are aware of the basic precautions to take when a hurricane approaches (such as stocking up on non-perishable food, water and flashlight batteries), an area that is frequently overlooked is basic medical needs.

When a hurricane strikes, electricity, telephone service and other utilities may be out for several days. Most—if not all—businesses, including pharmacies, are likely to be closed for an extended period of time. Major roads, if not damaged by the storm to begin with, are likely to be littered with debris, making travel difficult or impossible.

For someone who is not impaired, such conditions are an inconvenience. But for someone with a chronic medical condition, they could be life-threatening.

Here are some suggestions for meeting medical needs should a hurricane threaten:

1. Check your supply of medications required for chronic medical conditions, and if low, ask your doctor to prescribe an "emergency supply." These include medicines for heart problems, high blood pressure, insulin and syringes for diabetics, medicines for treatment of neurological problems, and oxygen for respiratory conditions.

2. Buy or put together a first aid kit in the event someone is injured by flying or falling debris. Be sure to include plenty of sterile gauze and bandages, rubbing alcohol, a skin disinfectant, an analgesic such as aspirin or acetaminophen (Tylenol is one brand), and a first aid guide.

3. Make sure you have plenty of bottled water for drinking, cooking and cleansing cuts and abrasions.

4. Notify the police, sheriff's department, Emergency Management Department or Civil Defense authorities BEFORE the storm strikes if you or someone in your household is pregnant, confined to a wheelchair, bedridden, is physically or mentally impaired, or is dependent on electrical equipment for life support. These agencies can help determine if the impaired person should be moved to a community shelter or hospital to insure their safety.



## Surviving in a shelter lacks the comforts of home

Water is not necessarily available; nor is food in many emergency shelters. Bring at least a three day supply for yourself.

This is the advice of Mr. Gerry Harris in charge of Emergency Management (Civil Defense) in Glades County. "Don't bring pets to a shelter. Don't expect to be taken care of. You are not being asked to go on vacations to hotels. This will be a very spartan survival environment. You need to be able provide for and fend for yourselves," he says.

You can expect to be on your own for up to three days. Don't expect to be organized by someone else, expect to organize yourselves into teams. The carpenters need to organize when they arrive at a shelter. To bolster the windows if they should blow out - have wood available at the shelters. Anyone with nursing experience can help - but you need to have emergency medical supplies available."

Shelters vary in what they offer. Some have emergency teams of trained personnel; some have water, some don't. Some have generators and cooking facilities. Others may not. Don't take chances that all your needs will be met. find out what's available now, and in case you cannot evacuate out of the area, know what to bring, and what you can do.

For more information about your local shelter and other hurricane instructions, call:

**Glades County Emergency Management Services -946-0309**

**Hendry County Emergency Management Services-675-5337**

**Palm Beach County Emergency Management Services-996-4800**

## What to bring to a shelter: an emergency checklist

### ☐ Personal Identification

☐ Food for at least 24 hours: such as canned fish, chicken, meat, cheese, ready-to-eat soups, milk, canned juices, dry cereals, cookies, bread, peanut butter, and other foods that do not require cooking

### or refrigeration.

☐ Water for at least 24 hours (2 gallons per person per day)

☐ Your own medicines

☐ Blankets/sleeping bag

☐ Cot or lounge chair to sleep on

☐ Change of clothing/

### extra shoes and socks

☐ Diapers

☐ Personal hygiene: Towel, wash cloth, tooth brush, paste, soap, deodorant, sanitary napkins, etc.

☐ Flashlight, battery and bulbs

☐ Non-destructive

### toys for children

☐ Plastic trash bags

☐ Paper plates, plastic knives, forks, spoons, drinking cups

☐ Can and bottle openers

☐ Transistor radio, and extra batteries

Do not attempt to bring intoxicating beverages, firearms or pets into the shelter. You will not be admitted with any of these in your possession.

Pets cannot be brought into shelters. Leave them plenty of food and water or board them with a vet.

(The following information was obtained from the American Red Cross, Charlotte County Chapter)



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## A message to all residents

Dear Lake residents,

As you all know, hurricane season is again here. We have been very fortunate in our area for a long time. Since Andrew hit South Florida - August 24, 1992, we have become aware that it could have been us. What is a hurricane? A hurricane is a large storm that is formed over the ocean or gulf. It spins in a counter-clockwise circle moving over the water, picking up momentum. When it hits land, it has a tendency to slow down, but not before it destroys everything in its path. A hurricane, unlike a tornado, gives us time to get out of its way.

My definition of a hurricane is - a destroyer of all the hopes and dreams of everyone in its path. You can rebuild your material dreams, but you cannot replace the life of your loved ones.

I attended the Governor's Hurricane Conference in Tampa. Listening to the people who were acutely in Hurricane Andrew, and the experiences and problems they faced, no-one was prepared for the devastation Andrew created. Communications were knocked out. There was no way of knowing just what damage was done for the first two or three days. Getting all the agencies that came down to help proved to be a disaster in itself. With communication at a minimum, organization was slow in coming.

The best thing for all residents that are not involved in assisting in evacuation is to secure everything you can, fill your tub with water (chances are the water system and electricity will be off when you return home), have canned goods and paper supplies in your home.

Listen to your radio or TV for weather reports. When a hurricane watch is reported - this means a hurricane might hit your area. When a warning is issued, the hurricane will hit within 24 hours. Do not try to stay and protect your home from the hurricane. There is nothing you can do. Evacuate immediately.

Do not return home until the authorities give you the O.K. There will be a lot of emergency work going on, and you would only get in the way. There will be enough emergency personnel to help the people who didn't leave - the ones who would not listen. Please evacuate.

Living on and around Lake Okeechobee, we have an added factor to a hurricane. We are not sure if the dike that surrounds the lake will hold. If a direct hit is made, will it hold? So please, do not wait until the last minute to evacuate. At the first warning, go to a safe place. Visit relatives up-state. They will be glad to see you.

The first hurricane for 1993 will be named Arlene. Arlene, please get lost at sea!

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## Cleaning-up your home after the storm

Emergency road crews will begin clearing debris from the road immediately after the storm, but it may be weeks before debris can be removed from the road side. Separate garbage from other trash and debris because trash pick-ups will begin as soon as possible. If you do not separate your garbage and allow it to remain on the side of the street, you could create a health risk and attract rodents and other animals.

Survey the damage to your house or business as soon as possible after the hurricane. Check the outside of the house for damage to walls, roof

porches and screens. Check every room in the house and make an inventory of damaged property. Make lists of damaged items and take photographs to expedite settling your claim. Notify your insurance agent and be patient. It may take adjusters a week or more to get to your property.

If you begin making temporary repairs, be sure to keep your receipts. If water was inside your home, keep it well ventilated to help dry contents. If electrical equipment got wet, have it professionally serviced before use.



## Waiting for disaster assistance

Clearing debris from roads an extensive flooding may prevent quick action to your immediate area. The American Red Cross or emergency management offices will set up service centers as soon as

possible, usually within a day or two to assist with emergency needs such as food, clothing, medications, household furnishings, and other basic needs. Rental assistance may be provided

for persons unable to return to their homes.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will set up disaster application centers within two weeks after the storm. No

money or immediate assistance is given at the centers. Home and business owners may apply for low interest loans from the federal government for uninsured losses. Those persons who need

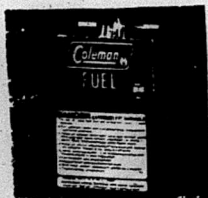
additional assistance to repair their homes and businesses must apply through FEMA. If you are turned down by FEMA, the ARC may be able to assist with minor home repairs.

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## How Herbert Hoover built a dike

The Herbert Hoover Dike is a monument to the skills of the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers. The U.S. government never wanted to be in the "dam" business of flood control but public opinion and pressure from politicians such as President Herbert Hoover helped change their policies.

President Hoover inspected the storm-ravaged area shortly after the 1928 hurricane that hit the south rim of Lake Okeechobee severely destroying property and killing thousands. He immediately made recommendations to Congress to repair and reclaim the land, enabling the farmers and the ranchers to continue the food chain to the rest of the nation.

In response to the clamor of the citizens of the Lake Okeechobee area, the big levee was officially designated the "Herbert Hoover Dike" in appreciation of the man whose vision and efforts assured the early construction of this great engineering work. Dedication ceremonies at which our distinguished former president was present, were held January 12, 1961, on the dike itself at Clewiston and the Clewiston Inn.

Florida's Governor Farris Bryant was the master of ceremonies.

The dike is approximately 150 miles long with an average height of 34 ft. It is 250 ft. or more at its base, tapering to a crown of 10 ft. The ground elevation is 14 to 15 feet along the south shore and rises to 21 feet on the north side. Thus, the levee is about 25 feet above ground level and that is the anticipated level of the lake during the storm season. Six hurricane gates are located at the main canals and at Taylor Creek. The estimated cost of construction between 1930 and 1969 was about \$60 million, an amount much higher than the \$6.6 million.

No longer can hurricanes slip up unannounced. Improved methods of ample warning of a storm's approach are now furnished by the U.S. Weather Bureau. Satellites that track hurricanes along with skilled observers are able to furnish hourly information of the storm's location, its intensity and its progress.

Hurricanes have passed over Lake Okeechobee since 1949 and no doubt will do so again.

Those who have experienced the fury of a tropical blow will regard it with due respect, but no longer do the farmers of the Everglades feel the fear of those days before the dike was built.

Note: In an effort to further speed work on the Hoover Dike, the United States Army Corps of Engineers issued an order that on Aug. 1934 all dredges working on the project would operate on a seven-day week

basis. Prior to that time dredges which did not use work relief labor, had been working on a six-day a week plan, with shore labor operating under the NRA 30-hour week edict.

The Corp approached the Arnudel Corporation, one of the contractors on the project, with a view to leasing the firm's dredge, "General", then on location at Norfolk, Virginia, to supplement the work on the dredge "Gulfport" and the dredge "Welatka" operating then on Division 3 of the dike. The Canal Construction Company which had been handling that part of the work had been relieved of its contract some weeks previously.

But the seven-day work week went into effect without the "General" arriving on the scene.



### Prepare an Emergency car kit

#### Include:

- ☐ Battery powered radio and extra batteries
- ☐ Flashlight and extra batteries
- ☐ Blanket
- ☐ Booster cables
- ☐ Fire extinguisher
- ☐ First aid kit and manual
- ☐ Bottled water and non-perishable high energy foods such as granola bars, raisins and peanut butter
- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Shovel
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## Special precautions in case of flooding

Even if you've never experienced a major flood, you ought to know what to do if floodwaters threaten your community.

The following tips from the National Flood Insurance Program should be used as suggested guidelines for action. Of course, if you find yourself in a flood situation and do not know what to do, check with local disaster officials.

### STEPS TO TAKE TODAY

**Make an itemized list of personal property, including furnishings, clothing, and valuables. Photographs of your home—inside and out—are helpful. These will assist an adjuster in settling claims and will help prove uninsured losses, which are tax deductible.**

**Learn the safest route from your home or place of business to high, safe ground if you should have to evacuate in a hurry.**

**Keep a portable radio, emergency cooking equipment, and flashlights in working order.**

**Persons who live in frequently flooded areas should keep on hand materials such as sandbags, plywood, plastic sheeting, and lumber which can be used to protect property. (Remember, sandbags should not be stacked directly against the outer walls of a building, since, when wet, the bags may create added pressure on the foundation.)**

**Buy flood insurance.** You should contact your property/casualty agent or broker about eligibility for flood insurance, which is offered through the National Flood Insurance Program. Generally, there is a five-day waiting period for this policy to become effective, so don't wait until the last minute to apply.

**Keep your insurance policies and a list of personal property in a safe place, such as a safety-deposit box. Know the name and location of the agent(s) who issued these policies.**

### WHEN THE FLOOD COMES

**The safety of your family is the most important consideration. Since floodwaters can rise very rapidly, you should be prepared to evacuate before the water level reaches your property.**

**• Keep a battery-powered radio tuned to a local station, and follow all emergency instructions.**

**• If you're caught in the house by suddenly rising waters, move to the highest level and, if necessary, to the roof. Take warm clothing, a flashlight, and portable radio with you. Then wait for help. . . don't try to swim to safety. Rescue teams will be looking for you.**

**• Turn off all utilities at the main power switch and close the main gas valve if evacuation appears necessary. Do not touch any electrical equipment unless it is in a dry area and you are standing on a piece of dry wood while wearing rubber gloves and rubber-soled boots or shoes.**

**• Move valuable papers, furs, jewelry, clothing, and other contents to higher elevations.**

**• Fill bathtubs, sinks and tubs with clean water in case regular supplies are contaminated. You can sanitize these items by first rinsing with bleach.**

**• Board up windows or protect them with storm shutters or tape to prevent flying glass.**

**• Bring outdoor possessions inside the house or tie them down securely. This includes lawn furniture, garbage cans, tools, signs, and other moveable objects that might be swept away or hurled about.**

**• If it is safe to evacuate by car, you should consider the following:**

**• Stock the car with non-perishable foods (like canned goods), a plastic container of water, blankets, first aid kit, flashlights, dry clothing and any special medication needed by your family.**

**• Keep the gas tank at least half full since gasoline pumps will not be working if the electricity has been cut off.**

**• Do not drive where water is over the roads. Parts of the road may already be washed out.**

**• If your car stalls in a flooded area, abandon it as soon as possible. Floodwaters can rise rapidly and sweep a car (and its occupants) away. Many deaths have resulted from attempts to move stalled vehicles.**

### AFTER THE FLOOD

**If your home, apartment or business has suffered flood damage, immediately call the agent or broker who handles your flood insurance policy. The agent will then submit a loss form to the National Flood Insurance Program. An adjuster will be assigned to inspect your property as soon as possible.**

**• Prior to entering a building, check for structural damage. Make sure it is not in danger of collapsing. Turn off any outside gas lines at the meter or tank, and let the house air for several minutes to remove foul odors or escaping gas.**

**• Upon entering the building, do not use open flame as a source of light since gas may still be trapped inside; a battery-operated flashlight is ideal.**

**• Watch for electrical shorts or live wires before making certain that the main power switch is turned off. Do not turn on any lights or appliances until an electrician has checked the system for short circuits.**

**• Cover broken windows and holes in the roof or walls to prevent further weather damage.**

**• Proceed with immediate cleanup measures to prevent any health hazards. Perishable items which pose a health problem should be listed and photographed before discarding. Throw out fresh food and previously**

**opened medicines that have come in contact with floodwaters.**

**• Water for drinking and food preparation should be boiled vigorously for ten minutes (until the public water system has been declared safe). Another method of disinfecting is to mix 1/2 teaspoon of liquid commercial laundry bleach with 2-1/2 gallons of water. . . let stand for five minutes before using. The flat taste can be removed by pouring the water from one container to another or adding a pinch of salt. In an emergency, water may be obtained by draining a hot water tank of melting ice cubes.**

**• Refrigerators, sofas, the other hard goods should be hosed off and kept for the adjuster's inspection. A good deodorizer when cleaning major kitchen appliances is to add one teaspoon of baking soda to a quart of water. Any partially damaged items should be dried and aired; the adjuster will make recommendations as to their repair or disposal. Take pictures of the damage done to your building and contents.**

**• Take all wooden furniture outdoors, but keep it out of direct sunlight to prevent warping. A garage or carport is a good place for drying. Remove drawers and other moving parts as soon as possible, but do not pry open swollen drawers from the front. Instead, remove**

**the backing and push the drawers out.**

**• Shovel out mud while it is still moist to give walls and floors a chance to dry. Once plastered walls have dried, brush off loose dirt. Wash with a mild soap solution and rinse with clean water; always start at the bottom and work up. Ceilings are done last. Special attention at this early stage should also be paid to cleaning out heating and plumbing systems.**

**• Mildew can be removed from dry wood with a solution of 4 to 6 tablespoons of trisodium phosphate (TSP), 1 cup liquid chlorine bleach, and 1 gallon water.**

**• Clean metal at once then wipe with a kerosene-soaked cloth. A light coat of oil will prevent iron from rusting. Scour all utensils, and, if necessary, use fine steel wool on unpolished surfaces. Aluminum may be brightened by scrubbing with a solution of vinegar, cream of tartar, and hot water.**

**• Quickly separate all laundry items to avoid running colors. Clothing or household fabrics should be allowed to dry (slowly, away from direct heat) before brushing off loose dirt. If you cannot get to a professional cleaner, rinse the items in lukewarm water to remove lodged soil. Then wash with mild detergent; rinse and dry in sunlight.**

## A quick set of safety tips ...

**• Be alert to hurricane and tropical storm advisories. Listen to television reports, local radio or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio to get information about advisory updates.**

**Hurricane Watch—means a "possible" hurricane within 24 to 36 hours.**

**Hurricane Warning—means a hurricane is expected within 24 hours or less.**

**• Listen carefully to local officials and evacuate the area if told to do so.**

**• Leave low lying or coastal areas and offshore islands as well as mobile homes for more substantial shelter. The storm surge, the most dangerous part of the hurricane, is a dome of water that comes across the coast as the hurricane makes landfall. Tides are 5 to 25 feet above normal and superimposed on the high tides are large wind-driven waves. Nine out of ten deaths caused by hurricanes, occur in the surge.**

**• Stay at home if dwelling is sturdy and on high ground. Stay indoors during the hurri-**

**cane and away from windows on the downwind side of house.**

**• Moor your boat securely or move it to safe shelter.**

**• Secure outdoor objects or bring them indoors.**

**• Protect your windows with boards, shutters or tape.**

**• Fuel car.**

**• Draw enough water to last several days.**

**• Bring pets indoors.**

**• Beware the eye of the hurricane; this calm storm center can be deceptive by its clear sky and light winds. The hurricane's eye is bordered by winds and rains of maximum force that blow from the opposite direction to the winds and rains in the beginning half of the storm.**

**• Learn location of official shelters and safe routes to get there.**

**• Power is often disrupted during severe weather, so you must be alert to alternative sources for cooking—as well as know how to conserve energy.**

## American Red Cross

With the devastation along the south Florida coast caused by Hurricane Andrew, the importance of the American Red Cross has been brought into the spotlight.

The American Red Cross is part of the International Red Cross Movement. More than 250 million paid and volunteer staff are involved in Red Cross programs in virtually every country in the world.

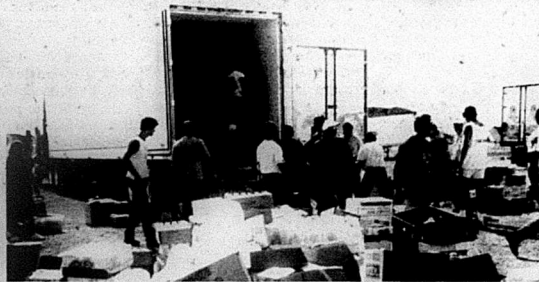
The basic principals of the Red Cross are humanity, impartiality, neutrality, independence, voluntary service, unity and universality.

When a disaster strikes a family, a community, or a country, people want to help. Obviously, everyone does not have the time or ability to respond directly to the scene and give assistance. But almost everyone wants to do something to help those in need.

One way to help is to volunteer today with your local Red Cross chapter. As a trained disaster volunteer, you may be called on to help others when they need you most.

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As a voluntary organization, the American Red Cross depends on the generosity of people for both their time and money to provide disaster relief. The Red Cross is an independent organization, not a government agency. All disaster relief given by the Red Cross is given free of charge as a gift from the American people.

The Disaster Relief Fund assures that the Red Cross can provide assistance to individuals and families regardless of the type of disaster or where it occurs.

The Red Cross doesn't wait until a disaster strikes. It is prepared to respond to hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, tornadoes, fires, hazardous materials incidents, and other disasters.

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and refill it with fresh water containing two ounces of bleach per 120 gallons.

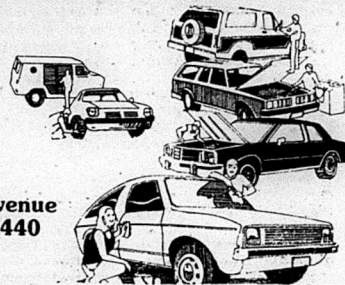
To use the water in your pipes let air into the plumbing by turning on the highest faucet in your house and draining the water from the lowest one.

To use the water in your hot-water tank, be sure the electricity or gas is off, and open the drain at the bottom of the tank. Start the water flowing by turning off the water intake valve and turning off the the water intake valve and turning on a hot water faucet. Do not turn on the gas or electricity when the tank is empty.

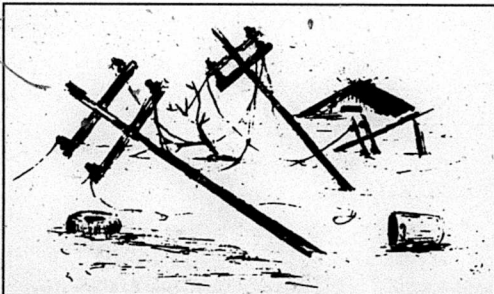
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